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**MANCHESTER MAN GUILTY
IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY OFFENSE**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono announced that Gary Foster, 50 of 130 North Adams Street, Manchester appeared in United States District Court today and pled guilty to one count of possession of child pornography in violation of 18 U.S.C.A. § 2252A.

The defendant was arrested in June, 2002, after an investigation by the Manchester Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, acting on information from the Oakham, Massachusetts Police Department revealed that the defendant had transmitted images of child pornography through the internet. Computers and other evidence seized from the defendant's residence contained thousands of images of child pornography.

United States Attorney Colantuono stated: "Cases involving the abuse or attempted abuse of children, including trafficking in child pornography, are among the highest priority matters handled by the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Hampshire." Attorney Colantuono praised the Manchester Police Department and the FBI for continuing their diligent work in bringing to justice those who would collect and trade child pornography.

The defendant will be sentenced on June 24, 2003, and faces up to five years in prison. This prosecution is being handled by Assistant United States Attorney Helen White Fitzgibbon.